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a subject whose cAMP-responsive gene expression is [repressed] decreased [due to binding of a cAMP-response-element-binding-protein-2 protein or a DNA asso $\phi$ iated with cAMP-responsive expression, of both,] which comprises administering to the subject a compound capable of [interfering with such] inhibiting binding of a cAMP-responsive-element-binding-protein-2 to a transcription factor protein or to a DNA required for cAMP-responsive gene expression in an amount effective to [interfere with binding of the protein or the DNA so as to thereby derepress] increase cAMP/responsive gene expression in the thereby improve and/ [enhance] subject subject's long-term memory. --

--4. (amended)

The method of claim 1, wherein the compound is an organic compound, a peptide, a peptide mimetic, [a small molecule,] or a nucleic acid.--

--5. (amended)

The method of claim 1, wherein the <u>transcription</u> factor protein [associated with cAMP-responsive gene expression comprises] <u>is</u> a cAMP-response-element-binding-protein[-1], a C/EBP protein, [an Aplysia ApC/EBP protein, a human C/EBPß protein,] an AF-1 protein, a c-jun protein, [a fla protein,] or a c-Fos protein.--

--6. (amended)

The method of claim 1, wherein the administration [comprises] is via intralesional, intramuscular or intravenous injection; infusion; liposome mediated delivery; viral infection; [gene bombardment;] topical, nasal, oral, anal, ocular, cerebro-spinal, or otic delivery.--

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improving long-term --15. (amended) A method for [treating] memory in a subject with a Long-term memory A cAMP-response-[due to binding of defect element-binding-protein-2 to # protein or a DNA associated with cAMP-responsive gene expression, or both,] which comprises administering to the subject a compound capable/of [interfering with such] inhbiting binding of a cAMP-responsiveelement-binding-protein-2/ to a transcription factor protein or to a DNA required for cAMPresponsive gene expression in an amount effective to [interfere with the binding of the protein or the DNA so as to] increase cAMP-responsive-geneexpression in the sybject and thereby [treat] improve long-term memory in the subject ['s longterm memory defect] /--

--16. (amended) The method of claim 15, wherein the long-term memory defect [comprises] is age-related memory loss, memory loss due to Alzheimer's Disease, amnesia, memory loss due to ischemia, shock, head trauma, neuronal injury, neuronal toxicity, or neuronal degradation[,]; Parkinson's disease, or senility. --

--19.(amended) The method of claim 15, wherein the compound is a peptide, peptide organic compound, mimetic, [a small molecule,] or a nucleic acid.--

--20. (amended) The method of claim 15, wherein the transcription factor protein [comprises] is a cAMP-responseelement-binding-protein[-1], a C/EBP protein, [an Aplysia ApC/EBP protein, a human C/EBPß protein,] an AF-1 protein, a c-jun protein, fla protein,] or a c-Fos protein. --